

Timeline of U.S. Senator Shelley Moore Capito's (R-W.Va.) Efforts to Combat Anti-Semitism on College Campuses

****As of July 24, 2024****

Since the Hamas-led massacre against Israel on October 7, there has been a disturbing rise in anti-Semitic incidents, including targeted harassment, directed at Jewish students. Senator Capito has joined a number of efforts condemning these anti-Semitic acts and called on the Biden-Harris administration to address the rising rates of anti-Semitism. **A list of Senator Capito's efforts can be found below:**

- **July 24, 2024**: Senator Capito joined Senators Bill Cassidy (R-La.), Joni Ernst (R-Iowa), and Chuck Grassley (R-Iowa) in introducing the *Restoring Campus Civility Act*, which ensures universities and the U.S. Department of Education immediately address civil rights complaints if a student experiences violence or harassment on campus because of their heritage
- **May 6, 2024**: Senator Capito introduced a [resolution](#) condemning the explosion of antisemitism on U.S. college campuses, calling out university presidents who have enabled and refused to take action against this antisemitism. The resolution also urges the U.S. Department of Education to take necessary actions to ensure that colleges and universities are complying with Title VI of the *Civil Rights Act* to protect Jewish students. This effort was led by U.S. Senator Tim Scott (R-S.C.).
- **May 1, 2024**: Senator Capito, vice chairman of the Senate Republican Conference, spoke about antisemitism on college campuses at a recent Senate Republican leadership press conference.
- **April 30, 2024**: Senator Capito, Ranking Member of the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies (Labor-HHS), pressed U.S. Department of Education Secretary Miguel Cardona on the disturbing rise of antisemitism on college campuses and asked how the Biden administration plans to address it during a Labor-HHS Appropriations Subcommittee hearing.

- **Week of April 29**: Senator Capito joined the *Countering Anti-Semitism Act*, led by U.S. Senators James Lankford (R-Okla.) and Jacky Rosen (D-Nev.), which would require the U.S. Department of Education to designate a senior official to advise the secretary on the department's efforts to counter anti-Semitic discrimination in higher education, among other things.
- **April 23, 2024**: Senator Capito joined 26 of her Republican colleagues in a letter to U.S. Attorney General Merrick Garland and Secretary Cardona that urged them to restore order to campuses that have been effectively shut down by anti-Semitic mobs that are targeting Jewish students.
- **January 31, 2024**: Senator Capito led a group of her Republican colleagues in a series of Senate floor speeches focused on the rise of antisemitism.
- **December 12, 2023**: Senator Capito spoke at the weekly Senate Republican Leadership Press Conference about the rise of antisemitism on college campuses across the U.S. and the need to protect students.
- **November 30, 2023**: Senator Capito sent a letter to Secretary Cardona urging the Biden administration to address antisemitism toward Jewish children in K-12 schools amid rising rates in the aftermath of Hamas' attacks against Israel.
- **October 30, 2023**: Senator Capito co-sponsored the *Anti-Semitism Awareness Act*, which provides the U.S. Department of Education a proper definition of contemporary antisemitism, including anti-Zionism, to combat and prevent anti-Jewish bigotry on college campuses.
- **October 26, 2023**: Senator Capito sent a letter to Secretary Cardona urging the Biden-Harris administration to protect Jewish college students amid rising anti-Semitic incidents and attacks on college campuses.

****June 8, 2021**: *Senator Capito joined a majority of senators in re-launching the Senate Bipartisan Task Force for Combating Anti-Semitism. First launched in 2019, the collaboration is the first of its kind in the United States Senate, serving as a*

corollary to the House of Representative's Bipartisan Task Force for Combating Antisemitism.